

Substitute Bill No. 462

February Session, 2002

## AN ACT CONCERNING REGULATIONS ON THE COLOCATION OF NEW STATE BUILDINGS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Subsections (n) and (o) of section 4b-23 of the general
- 2 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof
- 3 (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- 4 (n) The recommended state facility plan shall include policies for:
- 5 (1) The encouragement of the acquisition, transfer and utilization of
- 6 space in suitable buildings of historic, architectural or cultural
- 7 significance, unless use of such space would not prove feasible and
- 8 prudent compared with available alternatives;
- 9 (2) The encouragement of the location of commercial, cultural,
- 10 educational and recreational facilities and activities within public
- 11 buildings;
- 12 (3) The provision and maintenance of space, facilities and activities
- 13 to the extent practicable, which encourage public access to and
- 14 stimulate public pedestrian traffic around, into and through public
- 15 buildings, permitting cooperative improvements to and uses of the
- 16 areas between the building and the street, so that such activities
- 17 complement and supplement commercial, cultural, educational and
- 18 recreational resources in the neighborhood of public buildings;

- (5) The encouragement of the ownership or leasing of modern buildings to replace obsolete facilities, achieve cost and energy efficiencies, maximize delivery of services to the public, preserve existing infrastructure and provide a comfortable and space-efficient work environment; [and]
- (6) The encouragement of the establishment of child day care facilities and child development centers including provisions for (A) full-day and year-round programs for children of working parents, (B) opportunities for parents to choose among accredited public or private programs, (C) open enrollment for children in child day care and school readiness programs, and (D) incentives for the colocation and service integration of child day care programs and school readiness programs pursuant to section 4b-31; and
  - (7) The colocation of services and activities with municipalities in new state buildings when the municipality in which such building is to be located provides the same services and activities that are to be provided in the state building.
  - (o) Not later than January 1, 1988, the Commissioner of Public Works shall adopt regulations, in consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management and the State Properties Review Board, and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, setting forth the procedures which the Department of Public Works and such office and board shall follow in carrying out their responsibilities concerning state leasing of offices, space or other facilities. Such regulations shall specify, for each step in the leasing process at which an approval is needed in order to proceed to the next step, what information shall be required, who shall provide the information and the criteria for granting the approval. Notwithstanding any other provision of the general statutes, such regulations shall provide that:

    (1) The Commissioner of Public Works shall (A) review all lease

51 requests included in, and scheduled to begin during, the first year of 52 each approved state-wide facility and capital plan, and (B) provide the 53 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management with an estimate of 54 the gross cost and total square footage need for each lease, (2) the 55 secretary shall approve a gross cost and a total square footage for each 56 such lease and transmit each decision to the requesting agency, the 57 commissioner and the State Properties Review Board, (3) the 58 commissioner shall submit to the secretary, for approval, only 59 negotiated lease requests which exceed such approved cost, or which 60 exceed such approved square footage by at least ten per cent, and (4) 61 the secretary shall approve or disapprove any such lease request not 62 more than ten working days after he receives the request. If the 63 secretary fails to act on the request during such period, the request 64 shall be deemed to have been approved and shall be forwarded to the 65 board. Not later than January 1, 2003, the commissioner, in 66 consultation with the Secretary of the Office of Policy and 67 Management and the State Properties Review Board, and in 68 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, shall adopt regulations 69 establishing a process for the colocation of services and activities with 70 municipalities in new state buildings.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	October 1, 2002

PD Joint Favorable Subst.

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